damage to the relay room. Control panels, cables and air-conditioning and ventilation systems. The extent of loss is being assessed and the exact loss will be known only after the assesment is completed. An Enquiry, Committee, under the Chairmanship of Member (Thermal), Central Electricity Authority, has been constituted to enquire into the incident. The Committee is expected to submit its report within the shortest possible time.

Demands of Daily Wage Workers in D.D.A.

1156. SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE :
SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD :
SHRI DHULESHWAR MEENA :

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state :

(a) what action has so far been taken to carry out the assurances given by the then Vice-Chairman, Delhi Development Authority, to the Class IV daily wage earners who had been on hunger strike in April-May, this year, particularly relating to their demand that regular clerks, posts be given to those graduates and post graduates who having been appointed on daily wage as beldars/khalasis, had actually been working as clerks against regular posts since pre-Asiad days ;

(b) what are the rules, if any, governing, such cases ; and

(c) whether in view of the fact that these graduates/postgraduates have actually been working as clerks against regular posts for over three years, the Delhi Development Authority (DDA) has agreed or is considering to give part of the vacancies of clerks to them:

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT (SHRI DALBIR SINGH) : (a) and (c) DDA proposes to fill up the vacant posts of LDCs by holding a typing test for all its eligible and class IV work Charged and Muster Roll employees.

(b) As per Recruitment Rules for the posts of LDCs, 75 per cent of the posts are to be filled up by direct recruitment, 15 per cent by promotion from Class IV officials subject to test, and 10 percent by promotion from class IV officials on seniority-cum-fitness basis.

Measures to Augment Foodgrains Production

1157. SHRI RAOOF VALIULLAH : Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state the measures taken by Government to augment food production in 1986-87?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): The following measures are contemplated by the Government to augment food production in 1986-87 :--

(i) Maximisation of productivity in irrigated and rainfed areas.

(ii) Timely, easy and adequate supply of agricultural inputs like technology, seeds fertilisers, implements plants protection chemical and credit etc.

(iii) Increasing the coverage of area under high yielding varieties.

(iv) Production of sufficient seeds of different classes namely, breeders seed, foundation seed and certified seed . so as to cover targeted areas under high yielding varieties.

(v) Implementation alongwith the concurrent monitoring of the national programme like special rice production programme in the eastern States, small and marginal farmers programme, national dryland farming programme, national pulses development programme and

other concerned central and centrally sponsored programmes.

(vi) Appropriate and timely funding of the above programmes.

(vii) Propagation of rainfed farming technology on watershed management basis both for crops and regions which have performed poorly and have not shown growth rates.

(viii) Undertaking of drought proofing measures to reduce the impact of recurring droughts and to stabilise production through pooling of resources from different on-going schemes including the poverty alleviation programmes and central assistance for natural calamities.

(ix) Adoption of area approach in potential districts for increasing the production of various crops.

(x) Adoption of integrated plant protection measures.

(xi) Increasing the intensity of cropping through double, multiple and inter-cropping.

(xii) Assuring remunerative prices for various food crops to the farmers and organisational support for slae of commodities at these prices.

Fair Prices for agriculture Produce

1158. SHRI CHITTA BASU : SHRI RAMKRISHNA MAZUMDER :

Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state :

(a) whether Government's attention has been drawn to the study and findings of two professors of Delhi University, in which they have stated that Indian peasants have incurred a loss of Rs. 45,000 crores during 1970-80 due to non-receipt of fair prices for their produce ; and

(b) if so, what is Government's reaction in regard thereto ?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND COOPERATION (SHRI YOGENDRA MAKWANA): (a) and (b) Yes Sir.

Available data indicate that the gross returns to farmers over their out-of-pocket expenses, show sizeable increase over the 1971 72 to 1983-84 period. It is the constant endeavour of the Government to ensure remunerative prices to farmers for their agricultural produce with a view to encourage higher production and investment.

चिल्ला सरौदा नगर, दिल्ली में भूमि का अर्जन

1159. **श्री राम नरेश कुशवाहा :** क्या शहरी विकास मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि :

(क) क्या यह सच है कि 1975 से अब तक दिल्ली के जमना-पार क्षेत्र में चिल्ला-सरोदा नगर के किसानों द्वारा बेची गई लगभग 1400 बीघा जमीन पर हजारों लोग बस गए हैं ;

(ख) क्या यह भी सच है कि दिल्ली विकास प्राधिकरण ने उस क्षेत्र की भूमि अर्जित करने के लिए 1982 में नोटिस जारी किए थे ; और

(ग) यदि हां, तो इस क्षेत्र से लोगों को हटाए जाने के क्या कारण हैं ?

शहरी विकास मंत्रालय में राज्य मन्त्री (श्री दलबीर सिंह) : (क) से (ग) 30-9-82 को घोषित अवार्ड संख्या 39/82-83 के अनुसार, गांव चिल्ला, सरौदा नगर में 186 एकड़ का क्षेत्र अर्जित किया गया था । 1-10-82 को भूमि-अर्जन समाहर्ता ने 174 एकड़ क्षेत्र की वास्तविक रिक्त भूमि का कब्जा दिल्ली विकास प्राधिकरण को सौंप दिया था । इस भूमि पर दुबारा अतिक्रमण हो गया है, अतिक्रमणकर्ताओं ने रोक देश ले लिया था जिसे अब निरस्त किया जा चुका है, तथापि, सिविल मुकदमा चल रहा है ।